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UGANDA.

Order of the Secretary of State.

IN pursuance of the powers conferred by Article 3 of "The Africa Order in Council, 1892," I hereby order as follows:—

"The Indian Post Office Act, 1898" (Act 6 of 1898) shall apply to the Uganda Protectorate, and the Order of the 17th August, 1899, shall be read as if that Act had been mentioned therein in lieu of "The Indian Post Office Act, 1866" (Act 14 of 1866).

(Signed) SALISBURY.

Foreign Office,

April 17, 1900.

might, perhaps, be persuaded into assigning them as consideration for a loan; and the attempts which have been made to raise money in France, coupled with the difficulty of finding satisfactory security, may perhaps be held by your Lordship to justify my calling attention to a contingency which might have very serious consequences.

As regards the islanders themselves, I do not imagine that they have any disposition towards France; and I am bound to add that M. Delcassé has over and over again in conversation with me insisted that no further acquisition of territory by his country is desirable. Under any other circumstances than the present I should not think it worth while to allude to an eventuality which may appear far-fetched and improbable; but old associations, and recollections of a question to which I formerly paid some attention, have induced me to trespass upon ground undoubtedly outside my province, and upon which Sir Hugh MacDonell must be a much better authority than I am.

I have, &c.
(Signed) EDMUND MONSON.

No. 75.

The Marquess of Salisbury to Sir F. Lascelles.

(No. 203. Africa. Confidential.)

Sir, *Foreign Office, December* 21, 1898.

IN the course of conversation this afternoon, I informed Count Hatzfeldt that I had stated to the Portuguese Minister that we should view with extreme aversion any arrangement made by Portugal that would tend to place the islands of the Azores under the power or influence of any nation except Portugal. I was speaking, as your Excellency is already aware, in reference to proposals that were current for a loan, and suggestions that, among other things, the revenues of the custom-houses of the Azores might be made part of the security for the loan.

I informed Count Hatzfeldt that I had made this protest because I had reason to apprehend the possibility of some intrigue that would give to France an undue position in the islands in question.

Count Hatzfeldt received this information with rather a disconcerted manner, and did not return for some little time to the easy indifference by which his conversation up to this moment had been distinguished. I am not able, however, to suggest any explanation for this change of manner.

I am, &c.
(Signed) SALISBURY.

No. 76.

The Marquess of Salisbury to Sir F. Lascelles.

(No. 204. Africa. Confidential.)

Sir, *Foreign Office, December* 21, 1898.

COUNT HATZFELDT expressed to me, with some emphasis, this afternoon, that it was the desire of his Government that the Treaties which have been concluded between Germany and England with regard to a loan to Portugal should not at present be made public, but that, at all events, if either Power should desire to publish them it should not do so without previously ascertaining that the other Power was an assenting Party. I concurred in his Excellency's view.

I am, &c.
(Signed) SALISBURY.

No. 77.

Sir H. MacDonell to the Marquess of Salisbury.—(*Received December* 28.)

(No. 32. Africa. Secret.)
(Telegraphic.) P.

Lisbon, December 28, 1898.

I AM informed by the Minister of Foreign Affairs, with reference to the Portuguese Loan to be negotiated in Paris, that the revenues of the Azores, and probably of the other islands, will be excluded from it, only those of the continental territory of the Kingdom being assigned to the service.

No. 78.

The Marquess of Salisbury to Sir H. MacDonell.

(No. 27. Africa.)
(Telegraphic.) P.

Foreign Office, December 28, 1898.

IN your telegram No. 82, Africa, of the 28th December, you refer to "other islands." Which are they?

No. 79.

Sir H. MacDonell to the Marquess of Salisbury.—(*Received December* 29.)

(No. 33. Africa.)
(Telegraphic.) P.

Lisbon, December 29, 1898.

WITH reference to your telegram No. 27, Africa, of yesterday, the Islands referred to are Madeira, Porto Santo. These, with the Azores, are designated as adjacent islands, and form an integral part of Portugal.

No. 80.

The Marquess of Salisbury to Sir H. MacDonell.

(No. 28. Africa.)
(Telegraphic.) P.

Foreign Office, December 30, 1898.

WITH reference to your telegram No. 33, Africa, of yesterday, are the Cape de Verde Islands considered to be colonial in the view of the Portuguese Government?

No. 81.

Sir H. MacDonell to the Marquess of Salisbury.—(*Received December* 31.)

(No. 34. Africa.)
(Telegraphic.) P.

Lisbon, December 31, 1898.

WITH reference to your telegram No. 28, Africa, of yesterday's date, the answer is in the affirmative.

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